

THE STORM.

WO WORKMEN ON A CHURCH TOWER STRUCK BY THE FIRST FLASH OF YESTERDAY'S STORM—ONE KILLED OUTRIGHT.

The bright flash of lightning which served as a prelude to yesterday's rain storm in this city was especially vivid in the direction of Fifty-seventh street and Broadway, and the terrible thunder clap which followed it sounded with deafening force just over the heads of those who were in that neighborhood. Their eyes had scarcely recovered from the glare when they were drawn to the base of the tower of the Central Presbyterian Church by the cries of some workmen engaged about it who discovered that one of their number had fallen from the top of the tower. This man was found to be quite dead, and in a few minutes it was ascertained that another workman engaged on the building had been severely scorched by the lightning and was in need of immediate medical treatment. The body of the dead man, whose name was soon generally known to be Edward White, was carried into the church and laid on one of the benches. An ambulance soon arrived on the scene and conveyed the wounded man, Bernard Gray, to the Roosevelt Hospital.

SWIFT FATALITY.

A HERALD reporter visited the neighborhood of the occurrence last evening, and in conversation with a number of eyewitnesses and friends of the victim learned the following particulars:—The Central Presbyterian Church, at which the men were working, is situated on the south side of West Fifty-seventh street, about midway between Broadway and Eighth avenue. It is a new building, and White and Gray were engaged in completing the stonework on the west side of the bell tower, which projects about twelve or fifteen feet in front of the main building. Edward White, who was a stone-mason by trade, was on his little platform, and was working by ropes and blocks from the ground up, as the rain had yet begun to fall. Suddenly, at about twenty minutes to five o'clock, the storm opened with a terrible burst of flame, which for a second enveloped the two men. An eye-witness said, "I was dazed by the light for a moment, but while the smoke cleared away I looked toward the platform where I knew White was a moment before. I missed him, and at the same time saw a crowd running toward the tower. I ran down, and found him lying at the foot of the stone steps."

White was killed by the electric power of the lightning, without the smallest visible effect being produced on the person, and as his body fell on the ground he gave no sign of life. It is believed the only additional injury sustained was a slight abrasion on the forehead. Gray's clothing was scorched to tinder by the flame, and the flesh of his chest, abdomen and thighs were severely burned. He was brought to the hospital, where he died this morning. His body was taken to his brother, John, who resides at No. 142 Church street. He was also taken to Chamber Street Hospital.

MIDNIGHT WEATHER REPORT.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, July 11—1 A. M.

Indications.

For Thursday in the South Atlantic and Gulf States rising barometer, increasing easterly winds, cooler partly cloudy weather.

Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, the lower lakes, Middle States and New England, northeast to north-west winds, cooler, partly cloudy weather and rising barometer.

For the Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri valleys, falling barometer, warmer southward winds, partly cloudy weather and occasional storms.

The rivers will change but little.

DROWNED.

Arthur Rodgers, an employe on the steam dredge America, while at yard yesterday at the foot of Clark street, was knocked overboard by the parting of a line and drowned. His body was recovered.

Three boys were drowned while bathing at different points along the East River yesterday. William Carter, ten years of age, of No. 521 First avenue, was drowned while bathing off the foot of East Thirty-first street; Samuel Nathan, fourteen years of age, of No. 204 East Fourth street, while bathing in a river at Brooklyn; and John C. Lewis, ten years of age, of No. 323 East Seventy-seventh street, at the foot of Seventy-seventh street. None of the bodies were recovered.

OCEAN GROVE CAMP MEETING.

OCEAN GROVE, N. J., July 10, 1878.

The second day's services of the Union Evangelistic Holiness Camp Meeting were held in the grove, Rev. A. B. Erie, D. B., presiding. The weather was clear and cool during the morning. The attendance was large, composed mostly of ladies. The morning sermon was preached by Rev. Benjamin M. Adams, Methodist Episcopal Church, New Haven, from the text, Matthew, viii. 25; the afternoon, Rev. H. L. Chapman, New Haven, from the text, St. John, xvii. 21, and the evening sermon by Rev. H. King, New York, from the text, St. Mark, xiv. 8. A prayer and experiential meeting followed during the day.

Six thousand people were on the grounds. There were large arrivals by the Philadelphia and New York trains this evening.

FATAL REVENGE FOR TEASING.

WORCESTER, Mass., July 10, 1878.

This morning James Murphy, a workman at the Central Mills, Uxbridge, struck Peter Collier on the head with an iron pipe, cutting two gashes and fracturing the skull. The injuries are believed to be fatal. Collier had long had the habit of teasing Murphy, although warning against it by employers and the press. The morning his taunts provoked Murphy's probably fatal blow.

SAILED TO THE HUDSON.

MATTHEWS, N. Y., July 10, 1878.

During the tornado, this afternoon, lasting ten minutes, much damage was done in this vicinity by unroofing buildings, prostrating fences, uprooting trees and bending down crops. One hundred and thirty feet of the steeple of the First Reformed Church, frame work covered with slate, was blown down and shattered, two of the bells were injured. No person was hurt.

A TORNADO IN MARYLAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

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BIG WIND UP THE HUDSON.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 10, 1878.

A severe wind storm passed over the city to-day accompanied by thunder and lightning. Several trees were destroyed and buildings damaged by lightning, but no one was injured. The wind carried away part of the roof of a shop in West Albany.

DAMAGE TO A RAILROAD.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 10, 1878.

A special despatch from Russell station, on the Cleveland, Tuscarawas Valley and Wheeling Railway, states that a terrific rain storm there swept away 500 feet of the track. Several bridges and small buildings were also destroyed. Loss from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

CAMP NERON, N. Y., July 10, 1878.

John Hancock, in charge of a herd of cattle on route North, was killed by lightning about three miles from this post to-day. His horse was also killed at the same time.

CASUALTIES FROM THE LIGHTNING.

HARTFORD, Conn., July 10, 1878.

In the thunder storm yesterday afternoon the barn of D. T. Shallor was struck by lightning at Hadson, and Hesekiel Shallor, of Sheldon & Co., publishers, New York, was killed. The barn and its contents were burned; loss \$4,000. The house of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Parsons in Rockville, and the barn of Mrs. Nathaniel Parsons in Somers, where two horses were killed and two men stunned.

BUILDING BLOWN DOWN—A BOY KILLED.

ST. JOHN, N. Y., July 10, 1878.

During a violent storm of wind and rain this morning a small building was blown down at Fredonia, and a boy named Wilkes, nine years old, was killed.

DESTRUCTION OF A FACTORY—NINE MEN HURT.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., July 10, 1878.

A brick factory, nearly completed, was demolished by a hurricane which swept through this village at about half past four this afternoon. Nine workmen were buried in the ruins. Robert D. Rogers, Frank Hart, and Patrick O'Conor, of this place, are fatally and the rest severely injured. Several other buildings were damaged. The total loss is about \$10,000.

KILLED BY AN ICEBOX.

Considerable damage to shade trees and shrubbery, &c., was done in New Haven yesterday afternoon by the heavy gust of wind which blew about half past four o'clock, and one man lost his life—a butcher named Adolph Fischbacher, reading at No. 559 South Temple street, and doing business at No. 539 on the same street. He was carrying a lot of sausages from the shop to the smokehouse in the rear, and had nearly entered when the wind caught the side of a large icebox which had been left standing near the door. Fischbacher with terrible force. He was struck in the forehead and instantly killed. His brother William was with him and had a narrow escape. The deceased leaves a wife and five children. He was forty-four years of age.

THE WEATHER.

At three o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer registered seventy-nine degrees, and the flagstones, walls and roofs had ceased to radiate the heat absorbed by the preceding day. From that hour the influence of the coming day made itself felt. When the streets at six o'clock began to fill with workmen going to their early labor it had advanced to seventy-five degrees, and when the business places began to move down town, three hours later, the rays of the sun were already intolerable and in the shade the mercury indicated seventy-eight degrees. By noon it had risen to eighty-seven, and at half-past three in the afternoon it marked ninety-three, and the city broiled and sizzled. Although not so hot as some of the days preceding in this "heated town," yesterday was a period of intense heat, and the thermometer did not drop below eighty degrees. The sun and clouds of the people had been diminished by the strain from day to day; loss of appetite and sleepless nights had followed swelling days, and even strong men were so reduced as to suffer intense physical misery, and many showed aches, aches. There was not a breath of air in motion during the afternoon. Suffering men and fainting women interrogated the sky with anxious eyes, hoping for even the slightest and feeblest breeze to cool them. The sun, however, shone with red o'clock when the wind was greatest. They were followed in a little while by heavier masses rolling toward the north. A sharp squall accompanied these, and though somewhat lessened, still much remained. The smaller clouds in the sky had the appearance of the ripples on a pond, and the rivers, capizing one unready vessel, it seemed to the straining eyes of the parching citizens that the clouds were all going on their northward way without touching.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

WHITSTONE TELEGRAPH LINE.—Steamer White Star, June 29 and 30, Sandy Hook—more 4:48 P.M.—Gov. Island—more 5:53 P.M.—Sandy Hook Gate—more 7:18 P.M.

HERALD YACHT WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

REPORTED BY THE HERALD STEAM YACHTS AND HERALD WHITSTONE TELEGRAPH LINE.

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PORT OF NEW YORK, JULY 10, 1878.

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